

# **GRIEVANCE DAY INFORMATION**

*Tuesday, May 17, 2016*

***The 2016/2017 Town of Brookhaven Tentative Assessment Roll is available for public inspection at the Assessor's Office, One Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 Telephone (631)451-6300***

***The Tentative Assessment Roll and property specific information is also available on-line at the Official Town of Brookhaven Website: [www.brookhaven.org](http://www.brookhaven.org).***

***The Assessor's Office will be open:***

Monday thru Friday	May 2nd - May 16th	9:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Saturday	May 7th	8:00 A.M. - NOON
Wednesday	May 11th	9:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Tuesday	May 17th	9:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. Grievance Day

***The Town of Brookhaven Board of Assessment Review will be in session to hear formal grievance complaints on:***

<b><i>Tuesday</i></b>	<b><i>May 17th</i></b>	<b><i>4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.</i></b>
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**Location:** Brookhaven Town Hall  
Media Room 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
One Independence Hill  
Farmingville, NY 11738

## **PLEASE NOTE: IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

A "COMPLAINT ON REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT" APPLICATION KNOWN AS A "GRIEVANCE", MAY BE FILED BETWEEN MAY 2<sup>nd</sup> AND GRIEVANCE DAY, MAY 17, 2016. **THE 2016/2017 TENTATIVE ASSESSED VALUE MAY BE ONLY GRIEVED IN THE COMPLAINT AND NOT REAL PROPERTY TAXES.**

GRIEVANCE DAY IS HELD EACH YEAR IN ORDER FOR A PROPERTY OWNER(S) TO FILE A COMPLAINT REGARDING THE CURRENT ASSESSED VALUATION OF THEIR PROPERTY. **IT IS NOT THE LEGAL FORUM TO PROTEST REAL PROPERTY TAXES.**

AS PER SECTION 512 OF THE NEW YORK STATE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW, IT IS THE OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVE THAT THEIR PROPERTY SHOULD BE VALUED LOWER THAN THE ASSESSMENT ESTABLISHED BY THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW IS A SEPARATE AND DISTINCT ENTITY FROM THE ASSESSOR. BY LAW, ANY DECISION MADE BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW IS FINAL AND MAY NOT BE CHANGED BY THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF YOUR COMPLAINT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE. ONCE IT IS FILED IT WILL NOT BE RETURNED TO THE COMPLAINANT.

THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW WILL NOTIFY YOU OF THEIR DECISION VIA MAIL IN JUNE. PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

### **Town of Brookhaven Board of Assessment Review Members:**

Geraldine Esposito, Evelyn Gallino, Stella Losquadro, Robert Reilly, Sr. and Alfred Walter

***The New York State Residential Assessment Ratio for the Town of Brookhaven is .91***

***The Current New York State Equalization Rate for the Town of Brookhaven is .95***